Niagara River: S. 2406, authorizing the construction of certain works of improvement in the Niagara River for power, remained the Senate's unfinished business.

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Recess: Recessed at 6:50 p. m.

Committee Meetings

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly continued its hearings with regard to administered prices, having as its witness Dr. Charles Ruggles, of Yale University.

Hearings continue July 16.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, July 15, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued debate on motion to consider civil rights bill. House passed 24 miscellaneous bills and debated mutual security bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 12 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2542-2553; and S. Res. 163.

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Civil Rights: Senate continued debate on the Knowland motion to consider H. R. 6127, to protect the civil rights of persons within the jurisdiction of the U. S.

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Niagara River: S. 2406, authorizing the construction of certain works of improvement in the Niagara River for power, remained the Senate's unfinished business.

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Defense Appropriations: Senator Bridges was excused from further service as a conferee on H. R. 7665, fiscal 1958 appropriations for Defense Department, and Senator Knowland was appointed to service in his place.

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New Mexico Land: Senate concurred in House amendment to S. 44, authorizing exchange of certain land in New Mexico. This action cleared the bill for the President.

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Recess: Recessed at 6:21 p. m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 26 public bills, H. R. 8696–8721; 12 private bills, H. R. 8722–8733; and 9 resolutions, H. J. Res. 406–411, H. Con. Res. 215, and H. Res. 317 and 318, were introduced.

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

S. 1574, Coulee Dam Community Act of 1957,

amended (H. Rept. 809);

S. 1482, to amend certain provisions of the Columbia Basin Project Act with regard to acreage limitations, amended (H. Rept. 810);

H. R. 7813, to organize and microfilm the papers of Presidents of the United States in the collections of the Library of Congress (H. Rept. 811);

H. J. Res. 345, authorizing the erection on public grounds in Washington, D. C., of a memorial to the dead of the Second Infantry Division, U. S. Forces, World War II, and the Korean conflict, amended (H. Rept. 812); and

H. R. 8456, to exempt certain wheat producers from liability under Agriculture Adjustment Act of 1938 where all the wheat crop is fed or used for seed or food on the farm (H. Rept. 813).

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Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

Missouri River project: S. 977 (in lieu of H. R. 4410), to suspend and to modify the application of the excess land provisions of the Federal reclamation laws to lands in the East Bench unit of the Missouri River Basin project;

Minnesota bridge: S. 1361, to revive and reenact act authorizing construction of bridge across Pigeon River in Minnesota:

Fisheries: S. 2212 (in lieu of H. R. 7974), to amend the North Pacific Fisheries Act of 1954; and

Aliens in Army: S. 2420, to extend the authority for the enlistment of aliens in Regular Army.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Puerto Rico records: H. J. Res. 275, transferring to the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico certain archives and records in possession of the National Archives;

Flight commemoration: H. R. 6078, to provide for the erection of suitable markers at Fort Myer, Va., to commemorate the first flight of an airplane on an Army installation:

Military Academy registrar: H. R. 7140, to authorize a registrar at the U. S. Military Academy;

Veterans: H. R. 7912, to authorize, in case of the death of a member of the uniformed services, certain transportation expenses for his dependents; and

Human test subjects: H. R. 7914, to amend the Career Compensation Act of 1949 to provide incentive pay for human test subjects.

Sent to the Senate amended:

Boating: H. J. Res. 378, designating the week which includes July 4, as National Safe Boating Week;

Bankruptcy: H. R. 106, to amend the Bankruptcy Act to authorize courts of bankruptcy to determine the dischargeability or nondischargeability of provable debts;

Washington land conveyance: H. R. 993, to provide for the conveyance of certain land by the U. S. to Cape Flattery School District in the State of Washington;

Veterans' death gratuity: H. R. 5382, to amend section 301 of the Servicemen's and Veterans' Benefits Act to provide for expeditious payment of the death gratuity by the military departments;

Indians: H. R. 6521, to repeal the 10-year time limitation for filing claims for the award of damages for personal property losses of certain Sioux Indians;

Alaska: H. R. 6562, to enlarge boundaries of a certain reservation for the use of certain natives of Alaska;

Peanuts: H. R. 6570, to amend the peanut-marketing provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, relative to peanuts for boiling; and

Oregon-Washington boundary: H. R. 7153, giving the consent of Congress to compact between the State of Oregon and the State of Washington establishing a boundary between those States.

The following bills were passed over without prejudice: H. J. Res. 253, H. R. 2136, 6940, 8054, and 8121.

The following bills were objected to: H. R. 912 and 7696.

The following bills were objected to and stricken from the calendar: H. R. 6900, 7244, and 8002.

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Geodetic Survey: Passed and cleared for Presidential action S. 2250, authorizing construction of two surveying ships for the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

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Suspension Passages: The House suspended the rules and passed the following bills by voice votes:

Veterans' benefits: H. R. 3658, relative to widow eligibility for Veterans' Administration benefits (sent to Senate, amended);

Poultry inspection: S. 1747, to provide compulsory inspection of poultry and poultry products (returned to Senate, amended);

Civil defense: H. R. 7576, to amend the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950 relative to expansion of civil defense activities of the Federal Government (sent to Senate without amendment); and

Labor standards: H. R. 7458, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended, to restrict its application in certain overseas areas (sent to the Senate, amended).

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Presidential Papers: Passed by a voice vote H. R. 7813, to organize and microfilm Presidential papers in the collection of the Library of Congress.

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D. C. War Memorial: Passed, with an amendment, H. J. Res. 345, authorizing the erection on public grounds in Washington, D. C., of a memorial to the dead of the Second Infantry Division, U. S. Forces, World War II and the Korean conflict. Pages 11730-11731

Mutual Security: The House by a voice vote adopted H. Res. 313, the rule waiving points of order against, and providing 7 hours of debate on, S. 2130, to amend further the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended. After consuming 2 hours of the time allotted for debate the House deferred further consideration of the bill to Tuesday.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:54 p. m.

Committee Meetings

PACKERS AND STOCKYARD ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Resumed hearings on H. R. 7743 and H. R. 8536, to amend the Packers and Stockyard Act, 1921, to clarify the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Agriculture thereunder. Among the witnesses heard was Senator O'Mahoney.

MILITARY HOUSING PROJECTS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Construction met in executive session and approved miscellaneous housing projects and will meet again in executive session tomorrow.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ACT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Began hearings on H. R. 7026 and S. 1451, to amend and revise the statutes governing financial institutions and credit. William McC. Martin, Chairman, Federal Reserve Board, was heard and will continue his testimony tomorrow.

D. C. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE ACT

Committee on the District of Columbia: Held hearing but took no final action on H. R. 2510 and H. R. 7300, to amend the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act of the District of Columbia. An executive session for further consideration of these bills is scheduled for Wednesday, July 17.

D. C. TUNNEL

Committee on the District of Columbia: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 6763, to amend the act of August 30, 1954, entitled "An act to authorize and direct the construction of bridges over the Potomac River," by providing for the construction and operation of a four-lane tunnel across the Potomac River.

FEDERAL ARTS COMMISSION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Special Education resumed hearings on H. R. 3541, to

establish a Federal Advisory Commission on the Arts. Hearings adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

OSAGE INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held hearing but took no action on H. R. 4912 and S. 1417, relating to the affairs of the Osage Tribe of Indians in Oklahoma. Testimony was received from Representative Edmondson and members of the Osage Tribe.

LAND CONVEYANCE

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Public Lands ordered favorably reported to the full committee the following bills:

S. 1773, to validate a certain conveyance heretofore made by Central Pacific Railway Co., involving certain portions of right-of-way in Reno, Nev. (and recommended to the full committee the tabling of a similar bill H. R. 6519); and

S. Con. Res. 32, favoring Congressional recognition of the National Cowboy Hall of Fame and Museum to be located at Oklahoma City, Okla. (and recommended to the full committee the tabling of the following similar bills: H. Con. Res. 177, 178, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186).

The subcommittee also considered but took no action on H. R. 5450, to authorize the enlargement of the administrative headquarters site for Isle Royale National Park, Houghton, Mich.

Testimony was received on H. R. 6519 and S. 1773 from Representative Baring; on S. Con. Res. 32 and similar bills, Representatives Berry, Albert, and Morris; and on H. R. 5450, Representative Bennett of Michigan.

CHEMICAL FOOD ADDITIVES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Science began hearings on H. R. 6747, and similar bills, to amend the Food and Drug Act relating to chemical food additives. Hearings continue tomorrow.

WAYS AND MEANS MISCELLANY

Committee on Ways and Means: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 4770, to amend title II of the Social Security Act to permit policemen and firemen in positions covered by retirement systems to obtain social security coverage on the same basis as other State and local employees.

The committee also referred to the Subcommittee on Foreign Trade Policy H. R. 5924, relating to the International Convention To Facilitate the Importation of Commercial Samples and Advertising Matter.